Echo and Elgin Clash in State Tourney Finals Tonight

Chiloquin, Jefferson Meet for Third Place

Echo and Elgin, a couple of small schools from northeast Oregon, clash at 9 o'clock tonight at Willamette university for the state class B high school basketball championship.

Echo defeated Chiloquin 56-36 and Elgin downed Jefferson 59-41 in semi-final games last night. It was the 29th consecutive victory for Echo.

Chiloquin and Jefferson collide at 7:30 tonight to decide third place.

A playoff for fourth position started at 2:30 this afternoon between Heppner and Knappa. Heppner defeated Drain 59-47 and Knappa bashed Brownsville 65-40 in consolation games yesterday afternoon.

The all-state team will be announced following the championship game tonight. The all-state five will be picked by sports writers covering the tournament. The performance of potential all-staters in tomorrow's game will have an effect on the selections.

Either Elgin or Echo, or both, could feasibly break the existing record for number of points scored in three tournament games. The record, set by Echo's fourth place team last season, is 173. So far in this year's tournament Elgin has 115 needs 59 points tonight to break the existing record, while Echo needs 60 points to up its own mark.

ECHO 56, CHIOOQUIN 36

Ward Collinsworth, rangy Echo veteran who gets around the floor as if he were twins, turned in another scintillating performance, dripping in nine field goals and a free throw for 19 points. Teammate Bud Graham also had 19. Seven of his points came on free throws.

Echo's defense, sometimes moving into a compact zone, proved effective last night. Echo players time and time again stole the ball from Chiloquin. And they did it with a total of only seven fouls tooted against Echo.

Echo got a quick 4-0 lead on a free throw by Graham, a field goal from in close by Jim Tolan and a gift shot by Collinsworth.

Bill Vadan interrupted with a Chiloquin field goal to make it 4-2, but Collinsworth hit two buckets from the side and Tolan sunk a free throw to give Echo a 9-2 lead, and the Cougars had control of the game all the way after that.

It was 12-5 at the end of the first quarter, 27-17 at halftime and 42-31 when the third period ended.

Gene Gentry, held to four points in the first half, showed just the only spark Chiloquin had in the second half as he scored 11 points, giving him a night's total of 15.

Chiloquin scored only two free throws in the ball game. The Panthers had 11 chances. Echo wasn't too hot in the free throw department, either, hitting only 14 out of 32, but their potency on field goals more than made up for their ineffectiveness from the charity lane.

ELGIN 59, JEFFERSON 41

Jefferson just plain didn't have it last night, while Elgin's play was as smooth as a fine watch. (No commercial intended.)

Even at that, the Lions put up a whale of a battle during the first quarter, and through the first four minutes of the second stanza.

The lead changed hands three times and the score was tied four times in the first quarter alone, with Elgin leading 12-10 when that period ended. No more than two points had separated the two teams in the first quarter.

As the second period got under way, Dale Wattenbarger, in top form last night, scored five consecutive points to give the Jeffmen a 15-12 lead.

But Elgin bounced right back with five straight points to take a 17-15 lead. Jim Blackwell of Jeff tied it up at 17-17 with a shot from the key. By then, the fans had forgotten all about announcements from the NCAA regionals playoffs at Oregon State college, and were concentrating on the game before their eyes.

But right then and there Elgin started walking away from the Lions. From a 17-17 tie midway in the second period Elgin boomed to a 27-19 lead by halftime, and Jeff never threatened in the third or fourth periods. It was 39-28 when the third quarter ended.

Wattenbarger, who had scored 13 of Jefferson's 19 points in the first half, fouled out of the game with one minute gone of the fourth quarter. He had not played much of the third period because he had four fouls on him at the half. His absence from the lineup obviously hurt the Lions. Wattenbarger finished the night with 16 points, same number as scored by Elgin's top man, Morton Gordon.

HEPPNER 59, DRAIN 47

Drain, rated as one of the powerhouses of the tournament, was favored to win the consolation round after losing to Echo 58-42 in the opening round Thursday, but the Drain team appeared listless against Heppner.

Heppner did most of its damage in the second period. Heppner led only 14-13 after the first quarter, but stretched its advantage to 28-20 by halftime. The two teams played on about even terms through the second half, but Drain was never able to overcome the bulge established by Heppner in the second quarter.

Drain hit a lapse in the fateful second period, going field goalless during the first seven minutes and 20 seconds of that period.

Jack Sumner, Heppner center, led his team with 25 points, highest single game performance of the tournament so far.

KNAPPA 65 BROWNSVILLE 40

Knappa got off to a 5-0 lead. Brownsville bounced right back with three field goals to take a 6-5 lead. Knappa then went back into the lead, 8-6. The game settled down after that, with Knappa steadily increasing its lead all the way. At the end of the first quarter it was by three points, at 12-9. At halftime it was by 11 points, 31-20. At the end of the third quarter it was by 16 points, 41-25, and at the end of the game it was by 25 points, 65-40.

Brownsville fouled out three men, Charles Lawler, Rudy Herr and John Weimer, by the time the third quarter ended.

Richie Perkins and Mike Barendse led Knappa's scoring with 15 and 13 points, respectively, but top honors for the game went to Marvin Zachary of Brownsville, with 16.

Heppner (59)	fg	ft	pf	tp	(47) Drain	fg	ft	pf	tp
Grant,f	5	2	2	12	Weaver,f	2	0	1	4
Kononn,f	2	3	2	7	Joslyn,f	1	2	5	5
Sumnr,c	10	5	1	25	L'Grndr,c	1	2	5	4
Taylor,g	0	5	2	5	JSwrzn,g	3	0	2	0
Case,g	0	1	1	1	DSwrzn,g	5	4	4	14
Hayes,g	2	3	5	7	Sweser,f	1	0	2	2
Kushas,g	0	0	4	0	Ostner,g	1	3	0	5
Jensen,g	0	0	0	0	Andran,f	3	0	1	4
Kasuwd,g	0	0	0	0	Brown,g	0	1	2	1
					Whipple,	0	0	1	0
Totals	19	20	17	59	Totals	17	13	22	47

Heppner	14	27	43	59
Drain	13	30	32	47

Free throws missed: Heppner 19, Drain 17.

Officials: Kilzel and Sollars.

Brownsville (40)	fg	ft	pf	tp	(65) Knappa	fg	ft	pf	tp
Moenke,f	0	0	0	0	Vlailica,f	1	2	3	4
Lawler,f	2	1	5	7	Kmpula,f	7	2	2	16
Zachary,c	6	4	1	16	Elliott,c	2	1	1	5
Herr,g	4	1	5	9	Barndse,g	4	5	2	13
Weimer,g	0	0	5	0	Perkins,g	5	5	1	15
Sawyer,f	1	0	2	2	Puckett,f	0	2	3	2
Cochel,g	1	4	2	6	Tyler,g	1	0	0	2
Hopla,g	0	0	0	0	Maenaner,g	2	1	0	5
Walbel,g	0	0	1	0	Helwig,f	0	1	0	1
Rickard,g	0	0	1	0	Palmrs,g	1	0	0	2
Totals	16	10	22	40	Totals	23	19	12	65

Brownsville	9	20	25	40
Knappa	12	31	41	65

Free throws missed: Brownsville 11, Knappa.

Jefferson (41)	fg	ft	pf	tp	(59) Elgin	fg	ft	pf	tp
Blackwl,f	6	1	2	13	Awson,f	4	3	2	11
Wright,f	3	0	3	6	El.Hus,f	8	0	4	16
Winbsr,c	5	6	5	16	Gordon,c	7	3	2	16
Camron,g	0	0	1	0	Fitzwrld,g	3	0	2	6
Caushl,g	0	1	4	1	Crowser,g	0	1	0	1
Meyers,g	0	1	0	1	Ed.Hus,g	2	4	1	10
Tieke,g	0	0	0	0	Calder,g	2	0	0	4
Colman,g	0	0	1	0	Diggins,g	0	1	1	1
Marlet,g	2	0	1	4	Cason,g	0	0	0	0
Wells,g	0	0	0	0	Townsnd	0	0	1	0
Totals	16	9	17	41	Totals	24	11	14	59

Jefferson	10	9	9	13—41
Elgin	13	16	12	20—59

Free throws missed: Jefferson 13, Elgin 26.

Officials: Kilzel and Lilly.

Echo (56)	fg	ft	pf	tp	(36) Chiloquin	fg	ft	pf	tp
Clgswth,f	9	1	2	19	Leggett,f	0	0	1	0
Tolan,f	3	2	2	8	George,f	2	1	1	5
Graham,c	6	7	0	19	Gentry,c	7	1	3	15
Ramor,g	3	1	3	8	Vaden,g	6	0	4	12
G.Dorn,g	1	2	1	3	Joe,g	2	0	1	4
Smith,g	0	0	0	0	Andran,g	0	0	0	0
					Siemns,g	0	0	0	0
					Oates,g	0	0	4	0
					Barney,g	0	0	0	0
					Hartley,g	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	14	7	56	Totals	17	2	14	36

Echo	12	15	15	14—56
Chiloquin	5	12	14	5—36

Free throws missed: Echo 18, Chiloquin 9.

Officials: Sollars and Lilly.

National AAU Tournament Starts Sunday

Denver (AP)—Defending champion Peoria, Ill., Diesel Cats and the Bartlesville, Okla., 66ers last year's runner-up, were top-seeded Saturday in the pairings for the national AAU basketball tournament opening Sunday.

The pairings, all times mountain standard include:

Sunday—

Seattle, Wash. Papooses vs. Mitchell Air Force Base, N. Y.

Monday—

1 p.m. — Indianapolis Armstrong Venders vs. Eugene, Ore. Everybody's Drug.

3:30 p.m.—San Diego, Calif. Grihalve Motors vs. Pullman, Wash. DeSoto.

CONSOLATION ROUND

Drain, 47 — Heppner, 59 — Friday, 2:30

ECHO, 58 — Thursday, 2:30 — DRAIN, 42

CHILOQUIN, 60 — Thursday, 4:00 — HEPPNER, 46

Brownsville, 40 — Knappa, 65 — Friday, 4:00

ELGIN, 56 — Thursday, 7:30 — BROWNSVILLE, 39

JEFFERSON, 64 — Thursday, 7:00 — KNAPPA, 40

Heppner — Knappa — Saturday, 2:30

Fourth Place

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

Echo, 56 — Chiloquin, 36 — Friday, 7:30

Echo — Chiloquin — Saturday, 9:00

Jefferson — Elgin, 59 — Friday, 9:00

Echo — Elgin — Saturday, 7:30

Third Place

State Champion
Loser: 2nd Place

Graham Grabs Bud Graham, captain of Echo high school's basketball team, leaps high into the air to get his hand on a rebound in last night's semi-final game with Chiloquin. Echo won the game, 56-36, for its 29th consecutive victory, and will play Elgin for the state class B championship at 9 o'clock tonight at Willamette university.

Vejar Defeats Martinez; Hopes To Do It Again

New York (UP) — Chico Vejar said today, "I licked Vince Martinez with my improved body attack and I can do it again."

Chico of Stamford, Conn., was elated with his upset unanimous 10-round decision over Martinez of Paterson, N. J. last night before 11,184 in Madison Square Garden. The loser was favored at 17-5.

Chico broke his opponent's 13-bout winning streak on Friday-the-13th.

Home-state admirers of Vejar, 21, and Martinez, 23, swelled the gate to $45,779, largest at the Garden in 17 months.

"Sure, I'll fight him again," said Chico, with a white patch over a cut under his right eye. "Winning this bout, which I was expected to lose gave me a lot of confidence. Chuck Davey licked me twice last year with body punches; so I've improved my body attack in every one of my eight fights since then."

Chico, a student of dramatic arts at New York University, almost missed his cues last night in the third and seventh rounds when he suffered severe batterings. But otherwise he stuck pretty well to his prepared script of "left to the body, left to the head—left to the body, right to the head."

TIDE TABLE

Corrected for Taft

(Compiled by U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Portland, Ore.)

March	High Waters Time	Height	Low Waters Time	Height
14	11:22 a.m.	6.9	3:35 a.m.	1.1
			3:34 p.m.	-0.3
15	12:06 a.m.	6.7	4:16 a.m.	0.4
	12:16 p.m.	6.7	4:33 p.m.	0.1

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By CHRIS KOWITZ, JR., Capital Journal Sports Editor

Tourney tattle:

Sharpest quip heard during the first two days of Oregon's state class B basketball tournament: When public address system announced that the Brownsville bus was to leave at 10 o'clock, somebody in the balcony queried, "For where?"

Newest Chiloquin Fan

When Chiloquin coach Frank DiUlio was handed a telegram just seconds before the tipoff for Chiloquin's first tournament game with Heppner Thursday afternoon, Frank figured is was a well-timed good-luck message from a fan back home . . . instead, it turned out to be a telegram informing Frank that his wife had just given birth to a baby girl . . . Chiloquin's team helped Frank celebrate by defeating Heppner 60-46.

Echo Gals Back

In addition to bringing back the same basketball team which appeared in last year's tournament, Echo high school brings back another group of ace performers from the 1952 tourney . . . they're the 25 girls who comprise Echo's all-gal band . . . the bright blue-clad strutters put on a halftime entertainment so entertaining that the Coke stand suffers . . . star of the show is Carol Ann Wigglesworth, baton twirler who turns somersaults, cartwheels, back bends, etc., with her baton going all the while . . . the other 24 girls carry instruments, including five drums and a pair of cymbals . . . which all adds up to a lot of noise in the confines of the WU gym.

TV Takes Toll

Television's toll on attendance at ball games was felt at the B tournament games last night . . . the crowd, 1000, would have probably been substantially larger had it not been for the televising of the regional NCAA playoffs at Corvallis . . . many basketball fans of the Salem area who would otherwise attend the B tourney games, stayed home and watched the Washington-Seattle natural on KPTV instead . . . the NCAA tournament, which was a sellout anyhow, pocketed a hunk of cash for TV rights . . . while the state B tourney, which was undoubtedly hurt at the gate by the telecast, got nary a penny.

Benches a la Beavers

Brownsville high school's team uses canvas camp chairs to sit on during time outs, a la Oregon State college . . . the Brownsville coach, Harold Schuttpelz, is an OSC grad.

Many Alma Maters

Incidentally, the eight coaches of teams playing in the 1953 B tournament studied for the coaching profession in eight different colleges . . . Brownsville's Schuttpelz, as we mentioned, went to OSC . . . Jefferson's Fred Graham is from Willamette . . . Knappa's Howard Kauffman, Pacific . . . . Drain's Del Dungey, Oregon . . . Echo's George DeLap, WSC . . . Chiloquin's Frank DiUlio, Superior State (Wis.) . . . Elgin's Calvin Tace, BYU . . . Heppner's Stephen Trukositz, Idaho.

Rose City Pro

Roger Putnam, long-time member of the Men's club at Salem golf club, becomes pro at Rose City golf club in Portland beginning April 1. Putnam has shot four holes in one at the Salem golf course, and is co-holder of the course record of 64.

Aberdeen Meets Renton in Wash. State Finals

Seattle (AP)—A band of ball-control artists from Renton and a determined Aberdeen outfit meet Saturday night in the finals of the state Class A basketball tournament, with both teams shooting for their first pennant.

The Renton Indians provided the upset of the 1953 classic Friday night as they slowed the Elma Eagles down to a walk and held towering Gary Nelson to 13 points in gaining a 34-30 win in the semifinal bracket.

Aberdeen had a longer row to hoe before they weeded the Longview Lumberjacks from title contention, 47-37.

Renton's win over Elma, pre-tourney favorite and previously unbeaten this season, was fashioned in a strictly keep-away game that, in the opening minutes, saw the ball bob around like a drop of water on a hot griddle between Renton players before a field goal attempt was made.

Valsetz Meets Jacksonville In SOCE Finals

Ashland (AP) — Valsetz will meet Jacksonville here Saturday night in the championship game of the Southern Oregon College of Education invitational Class B basketball tournament.

In Friday night's semifinals Valsetz edged Talent 54-52 and Jacksonville defeated St. Mary's of Medford 49-40.

Talent and St. Mary's will meet in a preliminary game Saturday night for third place.

SPORTS SLATE

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

Oregon state class B basketball tournament: Willamette university. Playoff for fourth place, 2:30. Playoff for third place, 7:30. Championship game, 9 o'clock.

Western regional NCAA basketball playoffs: Oregon State college, Corvallis. Two games, starting at 7:30.

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